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Invention: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR DETECTION OF ACTIVE PROTEASES

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- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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